

**THE QUEEN'S HEALTH SYSTEMS**

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The Honorable Todd Apo, Chair
and Members
Honolulu City Council
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Dear Chair and Council Members:

As Chief Financial Officer of The Queen's Health Systems, I am pleased to offer my support for the confirmation of Rix Maurer III as Director of Budget and Fiscal Services for the City and County of Honolulu.

Rix served with honor and dedication for 25 years as the Vice President of Finance at The Queen's Medical Center until his recent retirement. Rix is highly regarded and well-respected throughout the organization and community and contributed significantly to improving the financial systems and processes within the organization. He is an extremely competent financial executive who is also loyal, selfless and humble. He served as a faithful leader with integrity and has left an indelible mark on Queen's for which we are grateful.

I am very confident that Rix's knowledge and experience will be a valuable asset to the City and County of Honolulu and encourage you to confirm his appointment.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Keene
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer